HOUSE BILL No. 1171

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 9-18; IC 9-23.

Synopsis: Motor vehicle registration and license plates. Allows for cross-county vehicle registration in any year. Deletes provisions referring to permanent license plates as being made of metal. Makes conforming changes. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the interim study committee on bureau of motor vehicle issues.)

Effective: January 1, 2002.

Liggett, Thompson

January 9, 2001, read first time and referred to Committee on Roads and Transportation.





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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or *this style type* reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2000 General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 9-18-2-13 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2002]: Sec. 13. Except as provided in sections 14 and 15 of this chapter, a person who:

- (1) has leased; or
- (2) is the owner of;

a vehicle that is required to be registered under this chapter shall at a license branch in the county in which the person is a resident, apply for and obtain the registration of the vehicle, if the application is made in person over the counter at a full service branch. Otherwise, the person may apply for and obtain the registration in any county. After June 30, 1997, the bureau may establish a pilot project that permits cross county registration renewal in person over the counter at a full service branch if a metal plate is not required.

SECTION 2. IC 9-18-2-15, AS AMENDED BY P.L.181-1999, SECTION 12, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2002]: Sec. 15. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), a person who:

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1	(1) owns a vehicle that is subject to the motor vehicle excise tax
2	under IC 6-6-5 or the commercial vehicle excise tax under
3	IC 6-6-5.5;
4	(2) is leasing the vehicle to another person; who resides in a
5	different county; and
6	(3) has agreed to register the vehicle as a condition of the lease;
7	shall register the vehicle in the county of residence of the person who
8	is leasing the vehicle, if the application is made in person over the
9	counter at a full service branch. Otherwise, the person may apply for
10	and obtain the registration in any county.
11	(b) If a vehicle is being registered subject to the International
12	Registration Plan, the vehicle shall be registered at the department of
13	state revenue under rules adopted under IC 4-22-2.
14	(c) A vehicle that is being leased and is not subject to the motor
15	vehicle excise tax under IC 6-6-5 may be registered in the any county.
16	of residence of the person who:
17	(1) owns;
18	(2) is the lessor of; or
19	(3) is the lessee of;
20	the vehicle.
21	SECTION 3. IC 9-18-2-25 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
22	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2002]: Sec. 25. (a) If the
23	bureau is not able to comply with the provisions of this title relating to
24	the furnishing of license plates or chauffeur's badges because of a:
25	(1) metal materials shortage; or
26	(2) regulation of a board or an agency of the United States
27	government;
28	the bureau may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to provide the type and
29	number of license plates and chauffeur's badges that will be furnished
30	and displayed and the manner in which the plates and badges must be
31	displayed.
32	(b) Compliance with a rule adopted under this section satisfies the
33	provisions of this chapter relating to the display of license plates. or
34	chauffeur's badges.
35	SECTION 4. IC 9-18-26-15 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
36	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2002]: Sec. 15. In addition to
37	the civil penalty imposed under section 14 of this chapter, the bureau
38	may restrict, suspend, or revoke a dealer metal permanent or interim
39	license plate that was issued to the violator.
40	SECTION 5. IC 9-18-27-11 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
41	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2002]: Sec. 11. In addition to
42	the civil penalty imposed under section 10 of this chapter, the bureau



1	may revoke a dealer metal permanent or interim license plate that was	
2	issued to the violator.	
3	SECTION 6. IC 9-23-2-11 IS AMENDED TO READ AS	
4	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2002]: Sec. 11. A person who	
5	ceases a business activity for which a license was issued under this	
6	chapter shall do the following:	
7	(1) Notify the bureau of the date that the business activity will	
8	cease.	
9	(2) Deliver all metal permanent dealer license plates and interim	
10	license plates issued to the person to the bureau within ten (10)	
11	days of the date the business activity will cease.	
12	SECTION 7. IC 9-23-6-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS	
13	[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2002]: Sec. 5. In addition to the penalty	
14	imposed under section 4 of this chapter, the bureau may revoke a	
15	dealer metal permanent or interim license plate that was issued to the	
16	violator.	

